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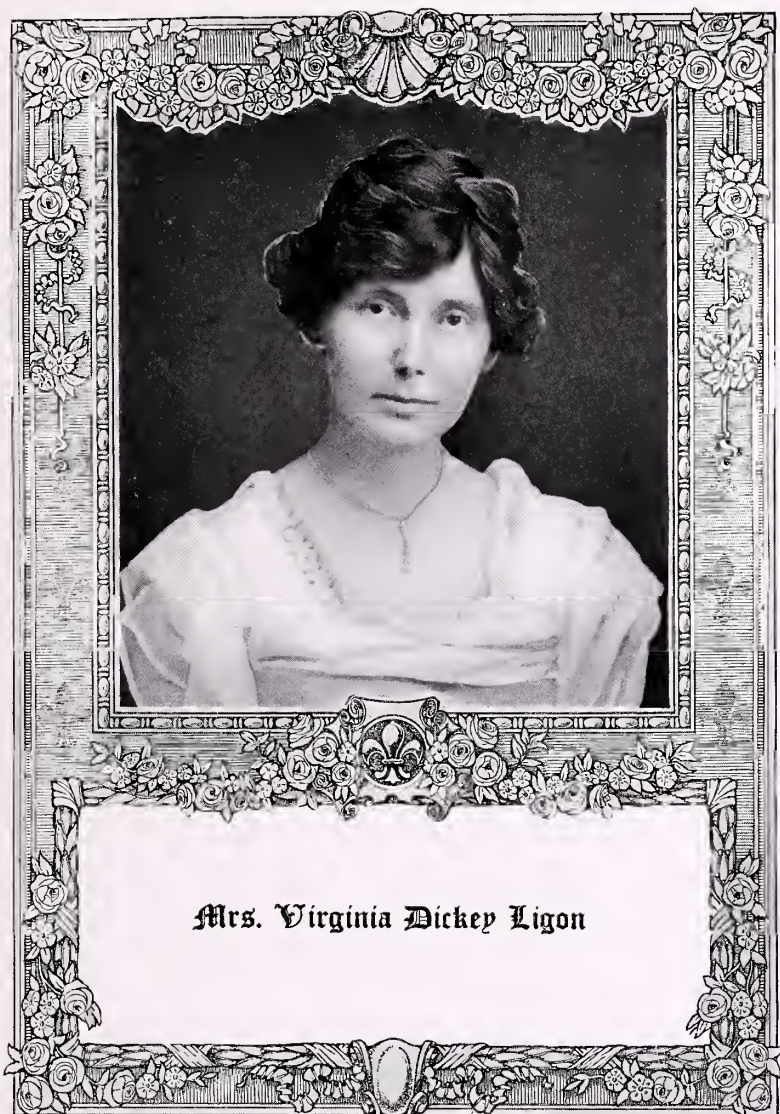
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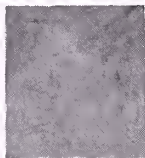
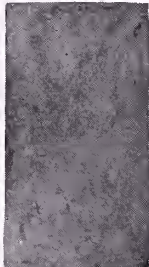
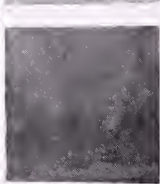
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*as a token of appreciation for her sincere  
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many kindnesses to us during sickness,  
the atmosphere of the home which she  
helps to give to Academy life and  
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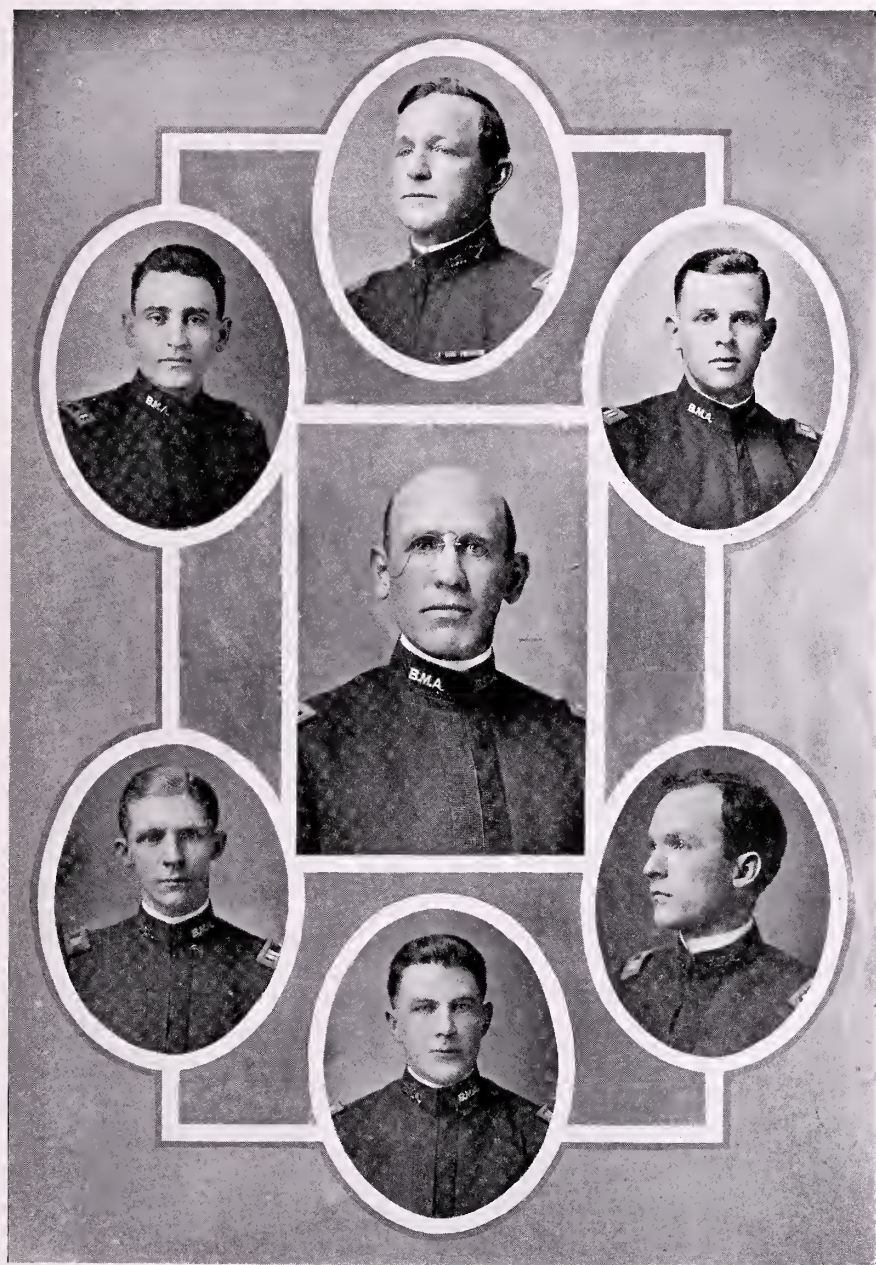
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## Routine of the Day

- 12:30 A. M.—Captain Prior returns from paying a social call.
- 1:00 A. M.—Bell, J., and Dobbins return from a trip down-town.
- 4:00 A. M.—Goode, M., strikes a match to see if it is daylight.
- 5:45 A. M.—Harper awakes the Officer in Charge to warn him that it is almost time for First Call.
- 7:00 A. M.—John Bell, still half asleep, tries to blow First Call.
- 7:05 A. M.—Reveille, everyone in a hurry except “Cliquesters,” who are waiting for “two minute” call.
- 7:15 A. M.—Assembly; a rush for the stairs. Calisthenics.
- 7:25 A. M.—Recall.
- 7:30 A. M.—All full-fledged “Cliquesters” sweep dirt under bed, because they believe in “preparedness.”
- 8:00 A. M.—Mess call for breakfast; Clay starts to bum tobacco for his after-breakfast smoke.
- 8:30 A. M.—The joyful sound of the call to begin classes. A number of cadets in Room No. 2 fail (as usual) to hear the call.
- 9:00 A. M.—Crockett and Williams sent from class.
- 10:30 A. M.—Fowlkes is still trying to bisect that angle into three parts.
- 11:30 A. M.—Drill; Williams succeeds in knocking a file closer down with the barrel of his rifle.
- 12:00 Noon.—Recall; it is the best sounding call of the day, but the Major doesn’t seem a bit fatigued and succeeds in finding a chance to “stick” six or eight cadets before they can get their rifles in the armory.
- 12:15 P. M.—Back to our beloved classes.
- 1:00 P. M.—Somebody asks a foolish question in chapel and gets a foolish reply.
- 1:45 P. M.—Classes over.
- 2:00 P. M.—Mess call.
- 3:30 P. M.—Members of athletic teams report for practice.
- 6:00 P. M.—Retreat. Dobbins gets “stuck.”
- 7:30 P. M.—Some few are studying, the rest pretending to.
- 10:15 P. M.—Taps.
- 11:00 P. M.—The re-echoing sounds of a trash basket preambulating down the hall is heard. Mystery: Who threw it? (Nobody knows.)
- 11:30 P. M.—Quiet reigns supreme.



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## Senior Class Poem

*And now that our class must dissemble,  
And each travel life's path apart,  
May the days through which we have labored  
Bring fond memories to every heart.*

*The future is very uncertain,  
And we know not what time may bring,  
But whatever happens in time to come,  
Let us do the manly thing.*

*When we start in on life's long journey,  
No matter what work we may choose,  
Let us give it all there is in us,  
And determine to win — not lose.*

*As the hands of time move onward,  
And we each travel on different ways,  
Take this dear old book from its place on the shelf,  
And bring back these happy days.*

*As the time draws nigh for departure,  
And we each prepare for life's task,  
May every man who is now with us,  
Bring naught but honor to his class.*

— P. W. C.





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## Senior Class

*Motto: Ad astra per aspera*

*Colors: White and Blue*

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## BERNARD MARSHALL BELL

Alpha Sigma Delta; B

WILBURN, VA.

"BERNARD"

*An honest man is the noblest work of God.*



President Freshman Class, '13; Treasurer Raven Literary Society, '14; Treasurer Y. M. C. A., '14; Assistant Business Mgr. *Blackbird*, '15; Vice-President Senior Class, '15; Secretary Raven Literary Society, '15; Editor-in-Chief *VIDETTE*, '16; Football, '15; Basket-Ball, '15-'16; Winner Cross Country Run, '15; Sergeant; First Sergeant

Gaze, gentle reader, upon the smiling countenance of "Bernard," the man who has the honor of being first on the class roll of '16 and become convinced that he is the breaker of many fair hearts.

Bernard has labored patiently and diligently with us for the last three years. In his Junior and Senior years he was a regular on the basket-ball team and also a regular on the football team his Senior year.

Bernard has also made great progress in the Military Department and is now First Sergeant of Company "A."

Remember, gentle reader, as you turn each successive page of this hallowed volume that Bernard is the man who has made it a reality. Mere words cannot pay him a sufficiently high tribute, and when he secures his "sheepskin" and must leave us, there is not a member of the class whose loss will be more deeply felt.





## HENRY ELLYSON BECKETT

B

SCOTTSBURG, VA.

*Whose armor is his honest thought.*

✧

Baseball, '14; Cleansleeve.

✧

This member of our class came to us in his Junior year with the intention of taking an academic course, but when the day for matriculating came he could not withstand the advantages offered by the Commercial Department. He therefore determined to secure a commercial diploma and enter the business world and

since then Henry has patiently labored for his "sheepskin" and from all appearances the day is not far distant when his goal will be reached.

Not only in the classroom has Henry achieved success, but he has also made a name for himself on the diamond, playing a star game in the outfield.

Henry has more than his share of that enviable quality—perseverance, and we expect to hear great things of him in the business world.





## PAUL WHITTINGTON CROCKETT

YORKTOWN, VA.

"CRICKET"

*Not that I love military honor less,  
by my friends more.*

✽

Historian Commercial Class; Sergeant-at-Arms  
Raven Literary Society, '16; Military Editor  
VIDETTE; Corporal; Private; Musician.

✽

Pause you who read and let your eyes rest upon the poet of our class. "Cricket," beyond a doubt, is the poetic genius of the school; his writings have the smoothness and ease of a finished poet. He is destined to do great things some day if he continues in the path he has started.

He is also a great force in the literary society, as his debates are always snappy and full of clear cut points, while his self-composed declamations are looked forward to and enjoyed immensely.

Crockett is one of those fortunate few who, although they never open a book, are the leaders of their class.

We wish to give especial thanks to Crockett for his faithful help in editing this book, for without his help it would not be the success that it is.







## GEORGE GARNETT FINNEY

B

PARKSLEY, VA.

"Doc"

*The best portions of a man's life are his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness.*



Winner Commercial Prize, '15; Track, '15; Football, '15; President Commercial Class, '16; Sergeant; First Sergeant.



"Doc," the little man from the Eastern Shore, has been with us for the past two years and during that time he has worked so faithfully that not only will he obtain his academic diploma, but he will also complete the commercial course of our school.

Finney played a star end on our football team this season, and there was seldom a play when he did not break through the interference and get his man.

He has also diligently applied himself to the military side of our school life, and now he holds the office of First Sergeant of Company "B."

"Doc's" chief relaxation after a hard week's work is to put on his dress uniform and go out among the fair sex.

It is rumored that "Doc," after completing his school course, intends to enter the business world, but whatever work he undertakes be it assured that he is followed by our sympathies and best wishes.





## JEFFERSON LODRICK FOUNTAIN

RALEIGH, N. C.

"JEFF"

*I love the ladies when they're kind.*



Cleansleeve.



Yes, gentle reader, this is "Jeff," that "rat" who is so well liked by all of his class. After gazing upon his bewitching countenance, are you amazed that, as he expresses it, his chief worry is the ladies?

"Jeff," the only "Tarheel" in the class, is one of our most popular classmates. He is a wonder with the harp, and wherever a crowd has collected it is a safe bet that "Jeff" is entertaining them with some of the latest music.

"Jeff" is quite a diligent scholar and the way he translates French or solves those geometry propositions makes most of us "green" with envy.

Mighty in the classroom, "Jeff" is ever greater in the parlor, and when he determines to storm the citadel of some fair heart, he is sure, sooner or later, to come out victor.

Fountain has an unlimited ambition and none of us will be much surprised if at some future date this youth should become Chief Executive of his much beloved State.





## FRANCIS MERIWETHER FOWLKES

BURKEVILLE, VA.

"FRANCIS"

*My man's as true as steel.*



Secretary Senior Class, '16; Business Manager  
VIDETTE, '16; Sergeant; First Sergeant; Sec-  
ond Lieutenant; Captain.



Fowlkes joined our class in the middle of last year's session and has gained for himself many friends among both students and faculty. Francis, prior to his advent into our midst, had gone to Fork Union, but for some unknown reason three months seemed to quite satisfy him that he never was intended to attend that institution of learning.

When military training was adopted by our school. Francis had the advantage over us of three months' training. He has taken full advantage of this and is now Second Lieutenant of Company "B," and also Battalion Adjutant.

Fowlkes is a man who has determined to secure an education no matter how hard may be the labor and is one of our most studious classmates. We are sure that Francis' labors have not been in vain and whatever profession he may choose we expect to hear great things of him.







## HORACE THOMAS GOOD

BUCHANAN, VA.

"Good"

*Be noble in every thought and in every deed.*

✧

President Senior Class; Chaplain of Raven Literary Society, '15-'16; Corporal.

✧

How strange it is that this man should have a name that so well suits his character. If a dictionary had been searched, not a more appropriate name could have been found for him.

Good is without a doubt the best member of our class. He is a ministerial student, and one of those fortunates who will get through with only one year's work. When he decides that a thing is right, he is going to stick by it to the finish and nothing can move him from his purpose. He was unanimously elected Chaplain of our literary society for both terms and has done a great amount of good in that position.

Good is a man slow of wit, but thorough in all his work; he is a man in whom you immediately place your confidence. After completing his course here Good intends entering the ministry. May he have the greatest success.







## HOLMES IRVING GOODE

Sigma Delta; B

HENRY, VA.

"Mick"

*He was a man of an unbounded stomach.*



Football, '14; President Junior Class, '15; Censor Raven Literary Society, '15; Baseball, '15; Captain Football, '15; Athletic Editor VIDETTE, '15-'16; Vice-President Raven Literary Society, '15-'16; Vice-President Athletic Association, '15-'16; President Student Body, '16; Captain Baseball, '16; Corporal; Sergeant; First Lieutenant and Battalion Adjutant.

"Mick" has shared our joys and sorrows for the past three years and through his cheerfulness and good nature has won the friendship of every boy in the Academy.

"Mick" is one of our best athletes and is Captain of both our football and baseball teams. When he lays his two hundred and four pounds against a baseball or catches a forward pass and starts down the field, it spells defeat for the opposing team. Goode has given substantial aid to all branches of athletics and in his three years with us he has made six letters and one numeral.

Goode stands high in all of his classes and is going to give a close run for the Scholarship Medal. He has also done good work in the literary society and is considered one of the best declaimers in school.

We all like "Mick" and will miss him very much when he leaves us.





GEORGE EDWARD HAYMAKER

B

BLACKSTONE, VA.

"GEORGE"

*I to myself am dearer than a friend.*



Football, '14-'15; Basket-Ball, '15; Base-  
ball, '15; Corporal; Sergeant.



Although George is one of our two Blackstone representatives, there has scarcely been a day in his three years with us that he has not been present and creditably acquitted himself in his classes.

George is an athlete, as the four letters which he has won plainly testify. He played end on our football team for the past two seasons and is counted one of the best preparatory school ends in the State. Last year he also played a star game in basket-ball, but for some unknown reason he failed to come out this season. He is one of last year's letter men in baseball.

George is a great ladies' man and in his numerous affairs with the "Stutes" he is generally successful. Blackstone will sorely miss this man, but we hope and fully expect to see him playing a star end on some college team next year.





ROBERT WESTON MCKENNEY

VILLAGE, VA.

"WESTON"

*Modest merit has claim to acceptance.*



Historian of Senior Class; Corporal; Sergeant;  
Quartermaster Sergeant; Second Lieutenant and  
Battalion Quartermaster.



When Weston entered our class last year he had a certain touch of the rustic about him, but in his two years' stay with us he has improved wonderfully. No one would recognize in the trim military figure,

upon which you gaze, the Weston of two years ago, indeed his improvement has been so great that he won the improvement medal last year.

Weston certainly deserves his diploma as much as any man in the class, for night after night the "wee sma" hours have found him deeply engrossed in his books. He is indeed a model student, for in his two years at Blackstone he has not received a single demerit.

In the Military Department he has also made considerable progress and is now Post Quartermaster. We expect great things of Weston and hope some day to hear of his being President of the First National Bank of Village.







JOHN TANNER ORTH

Sigma Delta  
LYNCHBURG, VA.

"TUCKER"

*Fling away ambition; by that sin fell the angels.*



Historian Sophomore Class, '14; Historian Junior Class, '15; Censor Raven Literary Society, '14-'15; Treasurer Senior Class; Sergeant; First Sergeant; Second Lieutenant; Captain.



John Tucker, our Lynchburg representative, has been steadily working for his diploma for the past four years. Although John is famous for his laziness, he has always done good work in his classes and the prospects are that he will come out almost at the head of his class.

John has made wonderful progress in the Military Department, and is the best liked of our officers. He has held the offices, since the beginning of the session, of First Sergeant, Second Lieutenant and Captain of Company "A."

In our literary society John has also done good work and is considered one of our best readers. He has held the office of Censor in the literary society for the past two years.

John, during his stay with us, has won for himself a host of friends, who, although upon his departure will sorely feel his loss, wish him the greatest measure of success in his future life.





ROBERT CUNNINGHAM WATKINS

Alpha Sigma Delta; B

FARMVILLE, VA.

"BABY"

*He is in deep sympathy with mankind,  
also womankind.*



Prophet Senior Class; Football, '15; Muscian;  
Sergeant Musician; Corporal Musician.



Only in size is the name "Baby" applicable to this wonderful youth, for both physically and mentally he has over and over again proven himself a man.

"Baby" joined our class this session and immediately drew attention to himself by his work on the gridiron. He played left half and in this position won for himself a much deserved "B."

On account of an injured shoulder "Baby" could not go out for basket-ball, but he has been attending baseball practice regularly and has his position on the second sack secure.

Not only in athletics has "Baby" excelled, but with the fair sex he has proven himself a wonder, and few are the ladies who can resist his bewitching smile.

"Baby" during his short stay with us has won a place in the hearts of all of us, and it is with many regrets that we must give up this youth after so short an acquaintance.





HERBERT TAYLOR WILLIAMS, JR.

Alpha Sigma Delta

CHASE CITY, VA.

"SLIM"

*Let the doors be shut upon him that he may play the  
fool nowhere but in 's own home.*



Valedictorian of Senior Class; Literary Editor  
VIDETTE; Cleansleeve.



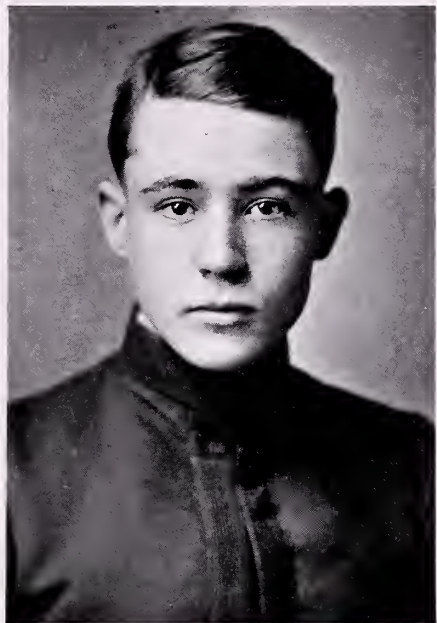
"Slim," the representative of Chase City, entered our class at the beginning of this session, and although he was one of the four "Rat" Seniors, "Slim," through his winning ways and ready wit, soon became one of the most popular members of the class.

"Slim" is a born orator and the argument he puts up in our literary society would put Patrick Henry to shame.

William's popularity is not confined to the Academy, but with the fair sex he is a wonder and very few are the B. C. girls who do not press the acquaintance of this wonderful youth.

None of us can discover just what "Slim" intends to accomplish in life, but whatever profession he adopts we are sure he will be rewarded with the greatest of success.





## HOGE DODAMEAD WILLS YOUNG

BLACKSTONE, VA.

"Hoge"

*Act well your part, there all the honor lies.*

✻

Cleansleeve.

✻

Hoge has been a member of our class for the past three years. He attended the high school for one year, but he could not withstand the advantages offered by our school, so he joined us in his Sophomore year. Hoge has been one of our most faithful students, and is also classed as one of the brainiest boys in school. He won the Scholarship Medal in his first year and came out second best last year.

Hoge has been coming out regularly for baseball this season and is showing up well in the outfield. Although Hoge has never before gone out for athletics he has always been an ardent supporter of the teams, and has faithfully done his share in the rooting.

It is with great reluctance that, after such a pleasant stay with us we must give Hoge up. May he be as successful in his future school days as he has been in the past.







## Senior Class History

THE Class of '16 has been the most successful one in the history of B. A., now B. M. A. It is the first class in the history of the school which has not lost any of its members and all working harmoniously together have made an impression which will be remembered many years after our departure. With such bright prospects ahead it is hard to turn back and review the bygone days at B. M. A., which were spent so pleasantly.

After being victorious until their Senior year we were sorry to lose some of the prospective members who, without a doubt, would have made good in their studies.

In athletics the Class of '16 has held its colors high in all branches.

In football Goode, Bell, Finney, Watkins and Haymaker were the stars of the team, winning more than one touchdown for us in the hardest fought games.

In basket-ball, Goode and Bell won honors for us. We hope to hear of "Mike" playing on some big university team; Bell seems to be discouraged in athletics, but while there is life there is hope and we believe he will soon recover.

In the literary society we stand at the head, being represented by Williams, who is our orator; he is always lively and full of wit; Good who goes in everything in a solemn way so as to get the good out of it, we hope to hear of his becoming a great preacher some day.



*The Colors*

Crockett, our debator, has won fame for us in many debates, and he is also the poet of our class; his poems would pass the criticism of Ben Jonson.





It is the consensus of opinion that the class that has gained so enviable a record as that which has been established in Blackstone by the Class of '16 should most certainly have before it a brilliant future and indeed, fellow classmates, there is much expected of us, so let us all strive to win in the battle of life and



*Trash*

So live, that when our summons comes to join  
The innumerable caravan that moves  
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take  
His chamber in the silent halls of death,  
We go not, like the quarry slave at night,  
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed  
By an unfaltering trust, — let us approach our grave  
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch  
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.

R. W. McKENNEY.

*A Few Cadets*





## Senior Class Prophecy

THE time was rapidly approaching when the game, which every member of the team has been earnestly training for, should be played. The game with John Marshall High School which, if we won, would give us the title of preparatory school Eastern State Champions. In this final contest of gridiron supremacy, we had steadily pushed the old pig skin down the field until we were within five yards of John Marshall's goal line. Then came my signal, for which I had been patiently waiting — it was an off tackle play. The interference darted off ahead of me and



*A Few Old Ruins*

was running fine, but I was slow in getting off and was tackled before I could reach the line of scrimmage, then I became dazed, and everything seemed to get black in front of me.

When I awoke I found myself on an island, standing before a magnificent castle. I looked around, but saw no one, so I opened the door and

went in; a more beautiful sight I had never seen before. Most handsome oil paintings adorned the walls, and the floors were beautifully set with the whitest of marble. Not having yet seen anyone, I walked slowly down the hall, looking at the gorgeous paintings. I came to the picture of a very beautiful fairy, with these words neatly set in gold letters under it, "The Goddess of Fortune," and as I stared, dumbly at the wonderful life-likeness of the picture, it seemed to get larger and plainer and in a few moments what should I behold but this beautiful fairy standing before me. She said to me, "Sir, who are you that you have found your way to the 'Castle of Secrets' and what do you want?"



*In Blackstone*

When I had recovered from my dumbness I told her that I was the Prophet of the Senior Class and that I wanted to look into the future of each of my classmates. She took her magic wand and tapped lightly on the wall where I had first seen the beautiful painting. A door opened and I was invited into a room dazzling in gorgeous splendor.

She offered me a seat in a chair, covered with velvet of the softest kind.

She told me that as long as I sat in that chair I could see into the future of any of my classmates. The person whose future I first looked into was Bernard Bell. I saw Bell graduate with honors from B. M. A.; take a law course at the University of Virginia and graduate at the head of his class. Then I saw him as a great lawyer.

Then Crockett appeared and I heard a crowd praising the name of the great poet and novelist.

Then Finney passed before me with a diploma of medical doctor from the University of Virginia. In the distance arose a majestic sanatorium and over its portals were the words, "The Finney Sanatorium."



*Uncle Jim and Herman*

Next appeared before me a grand opera, and the melodious strains of music so thrilled me that I looked to see who could be the leader of such an orchestra and whom should I see but Fountain.





I then saw Fowlkes with a diploma from Hampden-Sidney College and later I saw him as the Business Manager of some cosmopolitan magazine.

I was next at Yale University and I could hear a crowd yelling "Goode, Goode, Goode." After inquiring what the excitement was about, I found that Captain "Mick" had saved the game for Yale by one of his old feats of football prowess.

What is in a name? I next saw myself in the congregation at a great church. I saw rise up in the pulpit my old classmate Horace Good. He had spent many years in foreign lands as a missionary and, seeing the need of more missionaries, had come back to impress on the people in America this importance.



*Going Home*

Through the smoke of battle I saw Haymaker leading his men across the bloody fields to victory.

McKenney next appeared in a classroom at Richmond College as a teacher of Spanish.

And next, lo and behold, whom should I see but Orth, a great chemist, in his laboratory with test tubes in his hand

—he was just completing the test of a great discovery.

Then a sight met my eyes that seemed to be such an awful catastrophe that it made me shudder. On a sharp curve in the road a "Ford" had skidded into a ditch, and lying half under it was the prostrate form of Hoge Young, the famous "Ford" dealer. The famous Doctor Williams soon had him well again.

Then the good fairy turned to me and smiled. "I am now going to show you the future of the Class Prophet."

Suddenly everything began to grow bright. It seemed as though a great ocean had suddenly appeared. I strained my eyes to see. Voices low and indistinct could be heard. All at once there was a blinding flash of sunlight, water was trickling from my head, and I heard someone say, "He'll be all right now." In the distance I heard the "three rays and two rahs" of victory and then I knew I was back on this earth again and my future was in the sealed book of the good fairy.

R. C. WATKINS.



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## Junior Class

*Motto:* Much knowledge with little effort

*Colors:* Blue and Grey

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JUNIOR CLASS



## Junior Class History

**A** VERY athletic and distinguished looking crowd were we, the Class of '17, as we stepped from the train on September 15th. Nearly all of the old men were back, while the class received substantial additions in several new men.

At the first drill our class made a very rough and unmilitary appearance, but in a very short time we settled down to work and no other class now excels us on the drill ground or on the athletic field.



*A Few More Bums*

In baseball over half the team came from our class, some of whom are Spangler, Maynard, Cogbill and Goode, M.

We not only won laurels in athletics, but also in class work. Our class is the largest in school and is well represented by Pollard and Slaughter in Mathematics, by Goode, M., and Harper in Latin, by Claughton and Reager in the Commercial Department, by Hudson, Russell and Norville in History, and Spangler and Crump in English.

Our literary representatives are Maynard, Bell, J., Goode, M., and Manson.

When it comes to "rough house" work, our class is represented by Spangler, Maynard, Bell, J., Russell, Hudson and Reager, who are far superior to any to be found in school.

Our class is also honored by having both the best man (Stone) and the best looking man (Russell) in school.

In every branch of athletics our class has done her full share to uphold the honor of our school. In football we were represented by Goode, M., Spangler, Maynard, Cogbill and Reager.

We were also well represented in basket-ball by Spangler, Hudson and Maynard.

H. J. DOBBINS.



# Headquarters Corps of Cadets

BLACKSTONE MILITARY ACADEMY

Blackstone, Va., March 1, 1916.

## *General Orders No. 4*

Any cadet coming to Reveille with socks or shirt on will be given twenty hours extra duty.

Any cadet sending out laundry for three successive weeks will be severely punished.

Any cadet wearing the same collar for thirty consecutive days will be given an hour extra duty.

All cadets caught studying at any time except the hour between seven and eight o'clock will be ostracized by the Corps of Cadets.

Any cadet found with a sum of money exceeding two "bits" will immediately be suspected of receiving money under false pretenses.

Any cadet found out of bed at first call for Reveille will be shot at sunrise of the following day.

The following promotions are made to take effect this day, March 22nd, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Cadet Wisdom Roscaurios Reager, of "N" Company, is hereby promoted from the rear ranks of "N" Company to the position of Major.

Cadet Hezekiah Thedoric Williams, of "X" Company, is hereby promoted to position of Captain of "Z" Company.

They are to be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Corporal Colossian Galatian Stone is this day, April 1st, reduced to the ranks for general worthlessness and gross disorder (notice the date, April fool).

Cadet Cecero Rufoe Martin is this day, April 3, 1916, promoted to front rank.



MISS FIFE  
Sponsor

## Sophomore Class

*Motto:* All is his who works and waits

*Colors:* Purple and Gold

JOHN R. TUCKER .....	<i>President</i>
OTHO JOHNSON .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
VERNON SEWARD .....	<i>Secretary</i>
C. R. JONES .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
RUFUE MARTIN, JR. ....	<i>Historian</i>

BALLARD, J.	TUCKER
GARRETT	WATKINS, A.
INGE	JOHNSON
JONES C.	LITTLE
MARTIN	BISHOP
SEWARD	HARRIS





SOPHOMORE CLASS



## Sophomore Class History

AS I sat in my room, the thought came to me—how like a tree the Sophomore Class is. When the boys first began talking of organizing, the soil was seen to have something beneath it that wanted to spring out, and when the meeting was called in Mr. Moore's classroom, a little tree burst forth, which was to be called the Sophomore Class. The trunk of this tree was Tucker, who was elected President, and well was he suited for this important position, for as the tree grew the trunk had to be the center for all the growth. Then the first branch put forth, this



*A Blackstone Residence*

was Johnson, the Vice-President. Three more branches soon appeared, Jones, who was Treasurer; Seward, who was Secretary; and Martin, who was Historian. Then the tree grew fast, almost like magic. Soon it was full of branches, some long and some short. The longest was Inge and the shortest was Ballard.

Among the remainder of

the branches, which I would class as medium height, were Garrett, Reager, Watkins, Little, Bishop and Harris.

When we stop to consider what a wonderful tree has grown from that first organization, how compact it is, how each member vibrates with life, and how every part performs willingly its duties as only a healthy tree can, then we feel that we have profited considerably as members of this same body. But this is only the history of its birth and early life. The tree has many years yet before it reaches maturity and we hope that it may stand as it does to-day, that in the days to come the people may see the results from the soil in which it had its birth.

C. RUFOE MARTIN.



## Why ?

Why does M. Goode get mad whenever anybody yells "Going up?"  
Why did Hudson give the negro a dime?  
Why was there so much excitement in school on January the tenth?  
Why does Captain Moore wear moccasins when on study hall?  
Why are Haymaker and Russell always seen together?  
Why did Orth and Williams run one Sunday night?  
Why have Dobbins and Watkins stopped going to East Blackstone?  
Why does not Orth attend public programs at Blackstone College?  
Why does Watkins spend his recess in the Commercial room?  
Why did Ballard, G., want a rest day for "Rats?"  
Why does Dr. Hooks always come to school before drill?  
Why was Crockett reduced to ranks?  
Why did Williams become a spendthrift so suddenly?  
Why does M. Goode remind us so much of "Doc" Jordan?  
Why does Slagle go to town so often?  
Why were eight cadets put under arrest in January?  
Why does John Bell have so much money to put in the bank?  
Why is Williams called "goose neck?"  
Why did Powell run from a young lady at the Baptist Church?  
Why do the boys hate to get invitations to the Spring Concert?  
Why did Johnson say "You need not bother?"  
Why did the basket-ball men enjoy their last trip so much?  
Why is Captain Beville so bashful?  
Why does John Bell never go to town?  
Why does Spangler get permission to cross the railroad so often?  
Why does Fountain like so well to dance?  
Why has Watkins a date every Sunday night?  
Why does "Chappy" stay sick?  
Why did Dirom come to B. M. A. so late in the year?  
Why does Captain Wilborn take dancing on third floor?  
Why do so many boys want to go to the Commercial room at night?  
Why do the boys call Mr. Moore "Teddy?"





MISS BISHOP  
Sponsor

## Freshman Class

*Motto: Strive and Succeed*

*Colors: Red and Green*

THOMAS SLAGLE .....	<i>President</i>
LEONARD NUFER .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
WILLIAM BUCKNER .....	<i>Secretary</i>
PAUL McNEILL .....	<i>Treasurer</i>
RICHARD CLAY .....	<i>Historian</i>

BUCKNER

POWELL

CLAY

SLAGLE

McNEILL

RUSSO

MOON

BLANTON, B.

NUFER

BLANTON, J.





FRESHMAN CLASS



## Freshman Class History

AS FOR the history of our class it does not include a very long space of time, for it was only a few months ago that we first assembled here within the walls of this Academy, of which we have grown most proud. It did not take us long, even if we were green at first to catch on to the general order of things and find that in our choosing of schools we had chosen the right school. As our history is short, it is to the future which we look. Although we are at the bottom now it will not be long before we will be on top and with the good start we have already made



*The First Sign of Spring*

we are sure to succeed, for within just the few months which we have been together we have established a name for ourselves.

When we first arrived, this place was the most lonesome looking we had ever seen and we asked ourselves why in the world did we ever come to a place like this.

We saw not a single friendly face and no one with whom we might talk freely of the things we thought and felt. Those old boys, how they did look at us! We gave them the whole road and in our hearts we held a sort of dread of them and for about a week we would go in one of our brother "rat's" room and talk of home and how much we would like to be there, away from the inquisitiveness of those around us.

Gradually we began to mix with the old boys, finding that after all they were not such terrible fellows and would not eat us. More than that, they took us in and talked to us; treating us well, helping us to forget our homesickness. Then football started, making things much brighter. In this sport our fellow classman Blanton, J. D., starred for us.



*Just Kids*

M. A., although we would not admit it. On our return we were joined by two new classmates, making our number ten.

Even if we could not take active part in playing basket-ball, our heart was with the team, and we did our part in cheering them to victory. But it is not so much this that counts, as it is in the studies and that is where we have shown ourselves proficient.

RICHARD CLAY.

As football continued we forgot all of homesickness. Next came examinations and they kept us so busy that we did not have time to think of anything else. When these were over we were homeward bound for the Christmas holidays.

How glad we were to get back here to see all the fellows! We had actually missed old B.



*The Signal*





MISS HATCHER  
Sponsor

## Commercial Class

*Motto: Experience of affairs makes men*  
*Colors: Maroon and White*

G. G. FINNEY .....	President
HAROLD COLE .....	Vice-President
GRAHAM BRUCE .....	Secretary
THOMAS SLAGLE .....	Treasurer
PAUL CROCKETT .....	Historian

BALLARD, G.	CROCKETT
BALLARD, J.	FINNEY, J.
BELL, B.	GOODE, I.
BECKETT	JOHNSON
BLANTON, J.	MANSON
BRUCE	MARTIN
MISS BUTLER	NEBLETT
COLE	POWELL
CRANDOL	REAGER
CLAUGHTON	SLAGLE
CLAPP	STONE
MISS SULLIVAN	





COMMERCIAL CLASS



## Commercial Class History

WHAT a pleasant task it is to recount the deeds of such an illustrious class as the Commercial Class of '16, for what class is there which can compete with it in any branch of our school life — Athletics, Military or Academic.

The Commercial Class, although it is its first year, has creditably acquitted itself in every branch of our school athletics. In football seven of the letter men: Bell, B., Ballard, G., Finney, Blanton, Bruce, Reager and Goode, I., came from the Commercial Class and who will deny that Bruce, Ballard and Goode were the three football stars, and won immortal fame for our class on the gridiron.

In basket-ball, we were represented by Ballard, G., Bell, B., Bruce, Cole, Goode, I., and Ballard, J. Of the five letter men, four came from the Commercial Class.

We have not had time enough to tell who the baseball stars are going to be, but Ballard, G., Bruce, Goode, I., and Slagle have certainly

made a good showing. Beyond all doubt, the Commercial Class stands supreme in athletics, for did not all three captains of our athletic teams belong to the Commercial Class, and is not Bruce, who is conceded to be our best athlete, a commercial man?

The Commercial Class has achieved greatness in other lines than athletics; in the Military Department the class is ably represented by Bell, B., and Finney as First Sergeants of the two companies. It has also produced two Sergeants and five Corporals, and last, but not least, are the privates, twenty strong, who can hold their own with anyone on the drill ground.



*Church Formation*



*On Monday Morning*

brightest, and among these are Goode, I., our declaimer, and Bell, B., our reader.

The Commercial Class has been an example to all other classes of what a class working harmoniously and steadily toward a certain end can accomplish in one year.

Under the guidance and direction of our instructor, Mr. Wilborn, we have been steadily copying shorthand and banging typewriters, and now a more likely looking bunch of young stenographers would be hard to find. When we complete our course we will not only be prepared to face the world with an academic education, but also with a commercial one as well.

The Commercial Class has certainly never been surpassed by any class of the past and we hope that, by labor and perseverance, we have set a standard for all classes of the future.

P. W. CROCKETT.

Mentally the Commercial Class is also no discredit to the school, for it has on its roll the President of the Student Body and Editor-in-Chief of our Annual, as well as two others on the Board of Editors.

In the Literary Society the Commercial Class is represented by only a few men, but these are certainly among the



*A Snow Scene*



# RAVEN

TELL IT  
TO 'EM  
BROTHER



LITERARY  
SOCIETY

## FIRST TERM

MR. NORWOOD L. BEVILLE  
*President*

H. IRVING GOODE  
*Vice-President*

BERNARD M. BELL  
*Secretary*

G. G. BALLARD  
*Treasurer*

JOHN T. ORTH  
*Censor*

HORACE GOOD  
*Chaplain*

MR. JOHN C. MOORE  
*Critic*

H. D. SPANGLER  
*Sergeant-at-Arms*

## SECOND TERM

MR. E. S. LIGON  
*President*

H. IRVING GOODE  
*Vice-President*

JOHN E. BELL  
*Secretary*

G. G. BALLARD  
*Treasurer*

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*Censor*

HORACE GOOD  
*Chaplain*

MR. WALLACE PRIOR  
*Critic*

PAUL W. CROCKETT  
*Sergeant-at-Arms*





## Literary Society

THE Raven Literary Society was called together October 3, 1915, with Mr. Ligon presiding, for the purpose of reorganization for the session of 1915-'16. Mr. Beville, Dean of the Faculty, was chosen President, and Mr. Moore, the Instructor in English, was chosen as Critic. The remaining officers were elected from the student body as follows: Goode, I., Vice-President; Bell, B., Secretary; Ballard, G., Treasurer; Orth, Censor; Good, Chaplain, and Spangler, Sergeant-at-Arms. Goode, I., Bell, B., and Crump were selected as a program committee.

The predominating feature of the second meeting was the enthusiasm and good will with which all on the program responded. The new boys, as well as the old, began at once to do their best to make the Society enjoyable and interesting.

As time went on and weekly meetings of the society began to be looked forward to with great pleasure, and the debates became the most essential party of the program, the boys began to cast aside their bashfulness and stand upon their feet and express their thoughts in clear cut points with the ease of born speakers. Many silvery tongues and rapid thinking minds were discovered and brought to the front, adding to the zest and enjoyment of the debates by their rapid fire of questions and answers.

The debating has been very beneficial and interesting to the society at large as well as the debaters chosen for the evening, as the subjects are always interesting and pertaining to things which the student body will enjoy. This fact is shown by the many and snappy extemporaneous speeches that are delivered with great force from members of the society who are not on the program.

The other features which go towards making the program interesting are the reading, declaiming and current topics.

The current topics prove very instructive, as the events of national as well as school life are brought before the society and discussed with evidence of great interest, while a few harmless jokes are also rendered for the purpose of relaxing from the more serious affairs.

The reading and declaiming are also enjoyable features of the society, as the subjects are always carefully chosen and rendered well.

Looking back over our work of the past session we are well pleased and feel that a great amount of good has been accomplished in this phase of our school life.

H. T. WILLIAMS.



## Vidette Election

	First	Second
<i>Brainiest Student</i> .....	GOODE, I.	YOUNG
<i>Hardest Student</i> .....	McKENNEY	HARPER
<i>Best Athlete</i> .....	BRUCE	BALLARD, G.
<i>Most Conceited</i> .....	FINNEY	SLAGLE
<i>Biggest Sick Artist</i> .....	BALLARD, G.	DOBBINS
<i>Biggest Faker</i> .....	MAYNARD	BELL, J.
<i>Handsomest Cadet</i> .....	RUSSELL	WATKINS
<i>Most Dignified</i> .....	GOOD	MARTIN
<i>Most Original Liar</i> .....	CRANDOL	CROCKETT
<i>Biggest Baby</i> .....	RUSSELL	SEWARD
<i>Best Debator</i> .....	WILLIAMS	CROCKETT
<i>Biggest Loafer</i> .....	BRUCE	ORTH
<i>Most Popular College Girl</i> .....	MISS EDNA ROLLINS	MISS GERTRUDE REDFORD
<i>Most Popular Town Girl</i> .....	MISS LUNETTE EPES	MISS GLADYS BARROW
<i>Stingiest Cadet</i> .....	FOWLKES	CRANDOL
<i>Freshest Duck</i> .....	COLE	RUSO
<i>Most Popular Student</i> .....	SPANGLER	BALLARD, G.
<i>Biggest Kicker</i> .....	MAYNARD	BELL, J.
<i>Best Officer</i> .....	ORTH	FOWLKES
<i>Best Sergeant</i> .....	BELL, B.	GOODE, I.
<i>Best Corporal</i> .....	HUDSON	GOODE, M.
<i>Most Generous Cadet</i> .....	BUCKNER	BALLARD, G.
<i>Cadet with Faculty Pull</i> .....	BELL, B.	BRUCE
<i>Biggest Bum</i> .....	CLAY	BRUCE
<i>Best Musician</i> .....	WATKINS	BELL, J.
<i>Biggest Eater</i> .....	GOODE, I.	BELL, J.
<i>Most Talkative</i> .....	MAYNARD	BELL, J.
<i>Cutest</i> .....	WATKINS	RUSSELL



FIRST LIEUT. ROY W. ASHBROOK, U. S. A.



## First Lieut. Roy W. Ashbrook, U.S.A.

**D**URING the first year that military training was adopted as a part of our regular school course, we had the extreme good fortune to have appointed as our Commandant a man of sterling character and great ability—Lieutenant Roy W. Ashbrook, a retired officer of the regular army.

Lieutenant Ashbrook was born at Somerset, Ohio, January 12, 1875. After graduating from the public school he entered Kansas State Agricultural School and Kansas State University; in both of which he displayed his true worth and graduated with honors. After the completion of his education, Lieutenant Ashbrook entered the army and determined to devote his life to the service. He entered the Volunteer Army as a private, April 18, 1898, and received his discharge, November 6th, of the same year. On November 16, 1898, he enlisted in the Regular Army; was assigned to Company "E," of the 20th Infantry and accompanied that regiment to the Philippines, arriving there January 21, 1899. Lieutenant Ashbrook was then promoted to Corporal, Sergeant and First Sergeant of Company "E," which positions he filled with great credit, until July 6, 1901, when he was commissioned as Second Lieutenant and assigned to the 5th Infantry. He served with that regiment until December, 1902, when he was transferred to the 17th Infantry, stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Washington. In July of 1903 he returned to the Philippine Islands with the 17th Infantry, with whom he served for the following two years. In January, 1905, Lieut. Ashbrook was wounded by a spear. He remained in the Philippines until April, when he returned home as an invalid. Arriving home he rapidly regained health and by August was able to rejoin his regiment now stationed at Fort McPherson, Georgia, and on October 16, 1906, was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant, but the nature of his wound was such as to unfit him for active service and, after a few months' service with his regiment in Cuba, he was detailed as Recruiting Officer at Columbus Barracks, Ohio, January 1, 1911. He filled this position until May, 1914, when he was assigned to the 9th Infantry, Laredo, Texas, where he served until November 6, 1914, leaving behind him the enviable record of sixteen years of honorable and distinguished service in the United States Army.

At the beginning of the session of 1915-'16, Lieutenant Ashbrook was detailed Commandant Corps of Cadets of Blackstone Military Academy, which position he has since filled in a most satisfactory manner and, through his kindness and readiness to help, he has won the love and respect of every student of the Academy.





BATTALION



## The Military Department

THE Military Department of our school, installed at the beginning of the present session, was enthusiastically received by both faculty and students. Although most of us were quite ignorant of military life, we have worked faithfully and patiently and the effects of our labors are now becoming apparent. On the day that we arrived we were formed into a battalion of two companies with Messrs. Orth and Fowlkes First Sergeants respectively of "A" and "B" Companies.

The military instruction is divided roughly into two classes — Practical and Theoretical; the theoretical consists of indoor lectures concerning the theory of military problems, while the practical consists of drill, parades and field exercises.

Once every week we have a practice march and field exercises. This branch of the instruction is carried out with especial enthusiasm, and there is considerable rivalry as to which company can out-maneuver the other.

So much for the past — as for the future we have a very bright outlook. On April 14th we have the annual government inspection, to which we are looking forward with the hope of an "A" grading in every branch of the department. During the last week of April we start on a hike to Farmville, a distance of about forty miles. The proposed hike will take two days; the night being spent in Burkeville. Upon reaching Farmville we shall have a week's encampment and target practice. It is needless to say that we expect to thoroughly enjoy ourselves and derive from the hike and encampment much benefit and pleasure. For the past few weeks we have had regular gallery practice, and while we are in Farmville there is to be a competitive target practice, in which the winner will be presented with a medal. In addition to the medal, all men who make sufficiently high averages will be presented with Expert Rifleman's, Sharpshooters', and Marksman's badges.

At some date near the close of school a day will be set aside for military exercises, a prize is to be awarded to the best drilled company and also one for the individual who is best trained in the Manual of Arms.

The student body and faculty are as a whole very much pleased with the work that has been done and look forward with great expectations to that which is to come.

P. W. CROCKETT.



## Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers

ROY W. ASHBROOK .....	Major
J. T. ORTH .....	Captain
F. M. FOWLKES .....	Captain
H. I. GOODE .....	First Lieutenant and Battalion Adjutant
R. W. MCKENNEY .....	Second Lieutenant and Battalion Quartermaster
B. M. BELL .....	First Sergeant
G. G. FINNEY .....	First Sergeant
W. R. CRUMP .....	Color Sergeant
R. C. WATKINS .....	Corporal Musician
SPANGLER	} .....
HAYMAKER	
SLAUGHTER	
HUDSON	
BOYD	
NORVILLE	} .....
STONE	
GOODE, M.	
GOOD	
BRUCE	
WATKINS, R.	Corporals



## The Bugle Corps

R. C. WATKINS.....*Chief Musician*

BALLARD, J.

BELL, J.

CROCKETT





COMPANY "A"



MISS REDFORD  
*Sponsor*

## Company "A"

### OFFICERS

JOHN T. ORTH  
*Captain*

### SERGEANTS

BERNARD M. BELL, *First Sergeant*

SLAUGHTER

### CORPORALS

BOYD

BRUCE

NORVILLE

STONE

### MUSICIANS

R. C. WATKINS, *Corporal Musician*  
BALLARD, J.

### PRIVATES

BALLARD, G.  
BUCKNER  
COGBILL  
DAVIS

DOBBINS  
GARRETT  
HARPER  
INGE

JOHNSON  
MANSON  
MAYNARD  
NUFER

POWELL  
REAGER  
SEWARD  
SLAGLE



COMPANY "B"



MISS HARDY  
*Sponsor*

## Company "B"

### OFFICERS

FRANCIS M. FOWLKES  
*Captain*

### SERGEANTS

G. G. FINNEY, *First Sergeant*  
HAYMAKER

CRUMP

SPANGLER

### CORPORALS

GOOD

GOODE, M.

HUDSON

### MUSICIANS

BELL, J.

CROCKETT

### PRIVATEES

BECKETT  
CLAUGHTON  
CLAY  
COLE

CRANDOL  
DIROM  
FOUNTAIN  
HAMNER

JONES  
MARTIN  
MCNEIL  
POLLARD

RUSSELL  
RUSSO  
TUCKER  
WILLIAMS

YOUNG





## Athletic Association

DAVID Q. EGGLESTON .....*President*  
H. IRVING GOODE .....*Vice-President*  
G. G. BALLARD .....*Secretary*  
ELVIN S. LIGON .....*Treasurer*

### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

BEVILLE  
EGGLESTON

SPANGLER

MOORE  
BALLARD

### FOOTBALL

D. Q. EGGLESTON .....*Manager*  
J. C. MOORE .....*Coach*  
H. I. GOODE .....*Captain*

### BASKET-BALL

J. C. MOORE .....*Manager*  
N. L. BEVILLE .....*Coach*  
G. G. BALLARD .....*Captain*

### BASEBALL

D. Q. EGGLESTON .....*Manager*  
N. L. BEVILLE .....*Coach*  
H. I. GOODE .....*Captain*



## Wearers of the "B"

### FOOTBALL

BALLARD, G., '14-'15  
 BELL, B., '15  
 BELL, J., '14  
 BLANTON, J., '15  
 BRUCE, '15  
 CRUMP, '15  
 DOBBINS, '15  
 FINNEY, '15

GOODE, I., '14-'15  
 GOODE, M., '15  
 HAYMAKER, '14-'15  
 MAYNARD, '15  
 REAGER, '15  
 SPANGLER, '12-'13-'14-'15  
 WATKINS, '15

### BASKET-BALL

BALLARD, G., '14-'15-'16  
 BELL, B., '15-'16  
 BRUCE, '16

COLE, '16  
 SPANGLER, '14-'16

### TRACK

CRUMP, '15

FINNEY, '15

### BASEBALL

BALLARD, G., '14-'15  
 GOODE, I., '15  
 HAYMAKER, '15

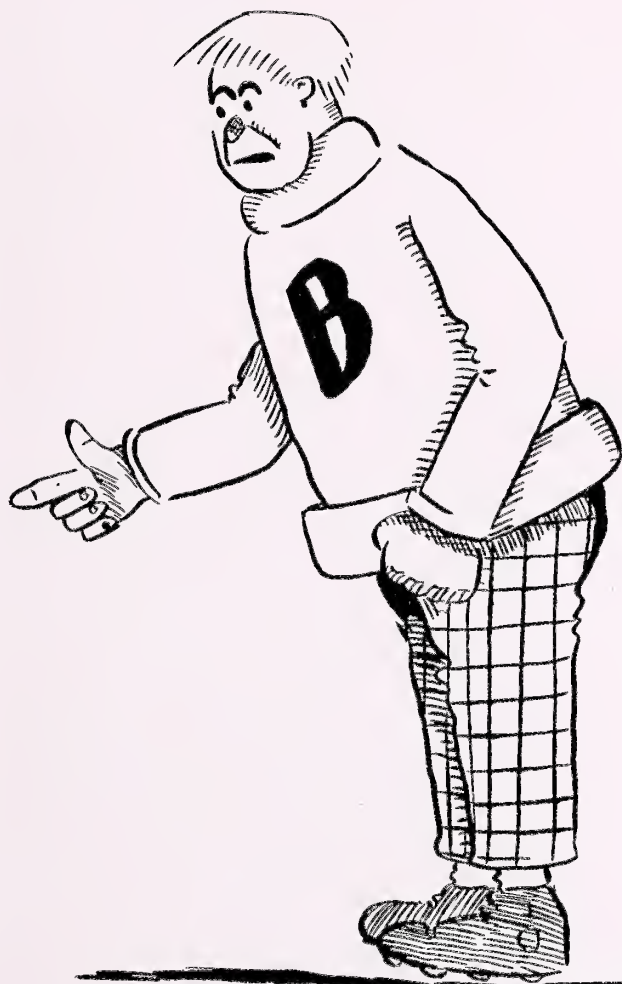
MAYNARD, '15  
 SPANGLER, '13-'14-'15



## Can You Imagine?

John Bell and Maynard without extra duty?  
Russell not posing?  
Orth being industrious?  
Captain Wilborn at a stag party?  
Watkins without his little box?  
McKenney and Claughton "raising a rough house?"  
Colonel Ligon announcing a holiday?  
Captain Prior dancing?  
Martin and Norville becoming athletes?  
Russell a farmer?  
Bell studying?  
Watkins being 6 feet 2?  
Dobbins a Lieutenant?  
Stone walking extra duty?  
"Genaral" Boyd "rushing" a young lady?  
Dobbins writing an English grammar?  
Captain Moore taking off demerits?  
Spangler being mad?  
Major letting Maynard off from drill?  
Captain Beville in love?  
Spangler getting a diploma?  
Captain Eggleston becoming a Major?  
Buckner becoming a great orator?  
Crockett making the baseball team?  
Ballard not chewing tobacco?  
Fowlkes President of the United States?  
Claughton singing bass?  
"Shag" Goode being graceful?  
Clay winning a prize for being the most handsome man?  
Williams and Orth leaving the "Stute" early on a public night?  
Russo wearing Ballard's shoes?  
Nufer putting on the gloves with "Jess" Willard?

# FOOT BALL







FOOTBALL SQUAD



MISS OVERBY  
Sponsor

## Football Squad

DAVID Q. EGGLESTON .....	Manager
JOHN C. MOORE .....	Coach
H. IRVING GOODE .....	Captain

FINNEY .....	Right End
HAYMAKER .....	Left End
GOODE, M. ....	Right Tackle
BLANTON, J. ....	Left Tackle
CRUMP .....	Right Guard
BELL, B. ....	Left Guard
GOODE, I. ....	Center
BALLARD, G. ....	Quarter
WATKINS .....	Quarter and Half
BRUCE .....	Half Back
MAYNARD .....	Half and Full Back
SPANGLER .....	Full Back
DOBBINS .....	Half Back
REAGER .....	Tackle

### SUBSTITUTES

BALLARD, J.  
BISHOP

COGBILL  
CROCKETT  
WILLIAMS

HUDSON  
INGE



## Football

THE season of 1915 opened about October 1st, with a squad of twenty-five men, among whom were only four letter men. With raw material to begin with, Coach Moore, after much hard work, turned out the most successful team in the history of the Academy.

Our highest aim for the season was to win from John Marshall High School and William and Mary Academy, who were champions of their respective sections. On winning these two games we claim the preparatory school championship of the eastern part of the State. Maury High School is the only team that has any right



*After the Ball*

to dispute our claim, for we did not meet them on the gridiron. Maury High School was, however, defeated by both the former teams, therefore we feel that we have no competitors for the championship.

The first game of the season was with Chester Agricultural School on the home ground. It was a hard fought game from beginning to end. The

only scores that were made were a safety for each team. Chester's was made in the second quarter and the Cadet's in the fourth. Score 2-2.

The next game was with Benedictine College on the Academy's ground. Remembering how they had beaten us last year on a streak of luck, we went into the game with a determination to win. It was an easy victory. Score 69-0.

We made a change for the worst when Lynchburg High School came to Blackstone. The result of this game was, that we were badly defeated by the score of 33-0.

The next game we should be ashamed of; it was with Randolph-Macon Academy at Bedford City. The excuse is that our team was badly crippled. The result was the worst defeat of the season. Score 53-0.



*A Touch Down*

William and Mary Academy came to Blackstone with the idea that they were going to have an easy victory. They were taken by surprise and went down in defeat before the strong Cadet eleven. Score 23-7.

Our sixth game was with Amelia High School on the Academy's ground. It was an easy victory. Score 66-0.

The next game was with Petersburg High School. The Academy won this game by the largest score that they had ever won a game. It was, however, good practice for the hardest game of the season. Score 110-0.

The last game was with the strong eleven of John Marshall High School. This was the hardest fought game of the season. The Academy went into the game with the determination to win. We received the ball on our fifteen yard line from the kick off and carried it for a touch-down within four minutes of play, never failing to make the required number of yards in four downs. This touch-down with another added later in the game and a beautiful placement kick by Spangler from the thirty yard line in the last quarter was all the scoring of the game, at no time during the entire game was the Cadets' goal in any danger whatever, owing to the splendid defensive game played by the entire team. The final score was 16-0, with the Cadets on the heavy side.

H. I. GOODE.



*Coach Moore*





A PASSING REVIEW

## What is in a Name

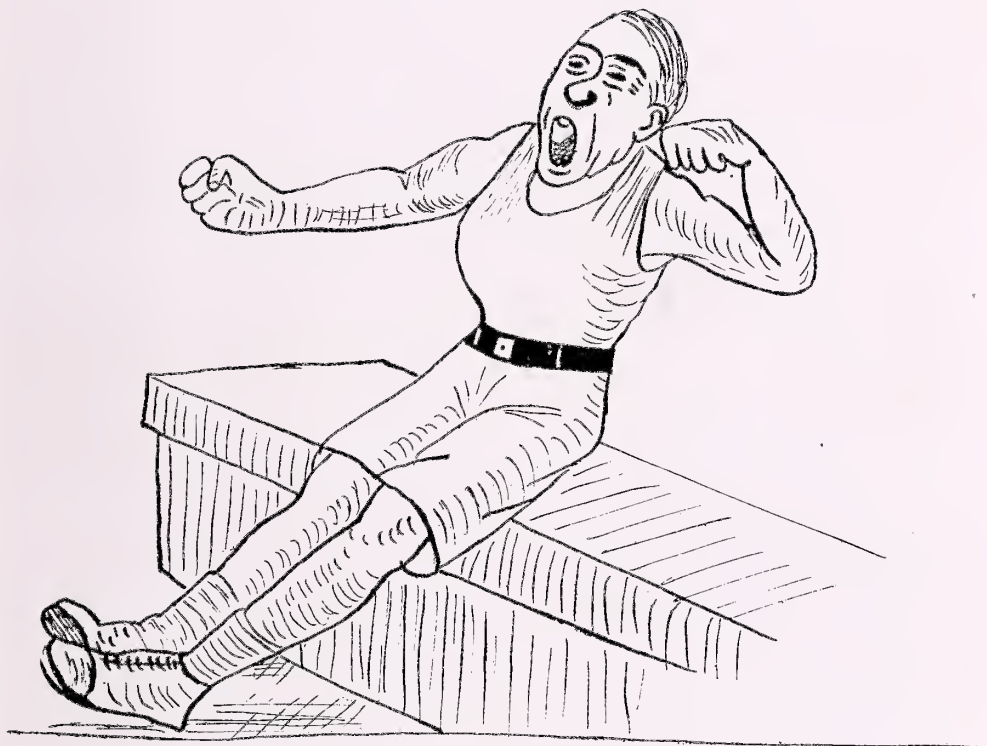
**I**T WAS a beautiful night. The silvery Moon spread a mellow light over the Hudson. Its rays were caught by a Fountain, which threw into the shadows a Cole(d) white light. All the Good Fowlkes had gone to bed and the Ballards were no longer to be heard in the streets, when a Man-son of a Harper stole a Nu-fer coat.

A Eutler from his Garret window saw the man and rang a Bell.

The man, finding that he was pursued, started for the home of the Little Finney tribe, where he intended getting a boat and going Seward. He had almost gotten to the river when his foot struck a Stone in some loose Clay; this caused a Russell and revealed his position to the crowd bent on Slaughter.

A Bishop who happed to pass by interceded for the Young man.

The case was found to be a Norville one; the man Tucker fur coat, but left money to ten times its value. He would not explain why he did this, but was released after stating that he had never stolen anything Prior to this and would never steal any Moore.



# Basket Ball



BASKET-BALL TEAM



MISS WRIGHT  
*Sponsor*

## Basket Ball Team

JOHN C. MOORE .....	<i>Manager</i>
NORWOOD L. BEVILLE .....	<i>Coach</i>
G. G. BALLARD .....	<i>Captain</i>
BALLARD, G. ....	<i>Right Forward</i>
BRUCE .....	<i>Left Forward</i>
SPANGLER .....	<i>Right Guard</i>
BELL, B. ....	<i>Left Guard</i>
COLE .....	<i>Center</i>





## Basket Ball

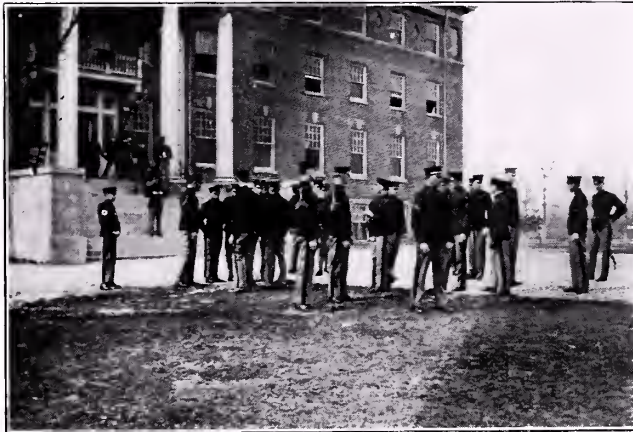


*Captain Ballard*

THE beginning of our basket-ball season was late, owing to the inability of securing a court, but Coach Beville, with much hard work, turned out a fair team. When he called for men only two letter men responded and such other material as he saw fit to make a team out of. The first game of the season with only a week's practice was with the strong John Marshall five. They had the better team and outplayed us in every stage of the game. When the final whistle blew John Marshall was in the lead by a large majority. Score 44-14.

The next game was with Farmville High School. They took us by surprise and almost defeated us. They had a fast little team and the game was a pretty one all the way through. The first half ended with score a tie. The second with the Academy one goal in the lead. Score 26-24.

We went to Farmville next, and there they gave us a still greater surprise, beating us by the score of 23-26. We would like to congratulate Farmville on beating us this game, for it is the first time they have ever won from us during the history of the school.



*Off to the Game*

Hampden - Sidney Reserves were the next to play us. It was a very close game all the way through, with first one team and then the other leading. We came out winners in the final by the small majority of two. Score 24-22.



Randolph-Macon College second team was the next to go down in defeat before the Academy's team. The first half the Academy led by a large score, but in the second Randolph-Macon came back into the game with the determination to win and they came near beating us. Score 39-34.



*The Gym*

College and went down in defeat by the score of 27-23. We went from Lynchburg to Chatham and lost by the score of 21-60.

Our last game was with Chase City High School. A double header was played here. The first team won by the score of 70-6. The second by the score of 32-3.

Virginia Christian College second team was the next to come to Blackstone. It was a hard fought game all the way through and neither knew who had won until the final whistle blew. The Academy won by the score of 24-20.

Our defeat came when we went westward. We went to Lynchburg; played Virginia Christian

H. I. GOODE.



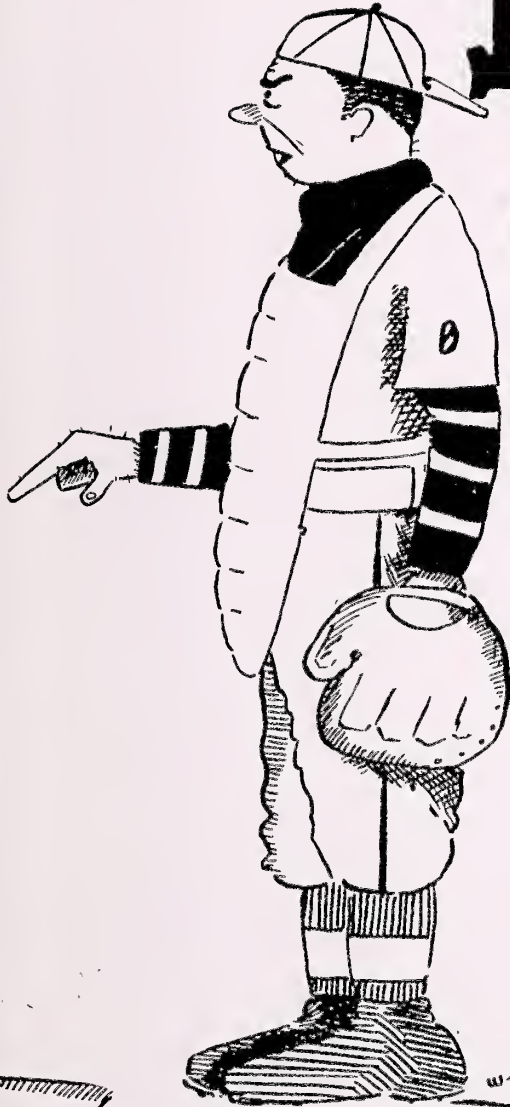
*Coach Beville*



## Favorite Pastimes

BELL, J.: *Arguing.*  
RUSSELL: *Complaining.*  
FOWLKES: *Drilling.*  
SLAUGHTER: *Thinking of himself.*  
BUCKNER: *Smoking.*  
ORTH: *Sleeping.*  
MAYNARD: *Talking.*  
MCKENNEY: *Studying.*  
BALLARD, J.: *Playing with Bruce.*  
BRUCE: *Playing with Ballard, J.*  
SLAGLE: *Playing baseball.*  
CROCKETT: *Mocking Major.*  
COGBILL: *Laughing.*  
GOODE, I.: *Eating.*  
GOODE, M.: *Talking of wonders he has seen.*  
BALLARD, G.: *Skipping drill.*  
SPANGLER: *Punching people in the ribs.*  
WATKINS: *Being around ladies.*  
DOBBINS: *Walking off time.*  
FINNEY: *Working.*  
FOUNTAIN: *Playing a harp.*  
WILLIAMS: *Getting into trouble.*  
BOYD: *Talking foolish.*  
COLE: *Worrying Mr. Wilborn.*  
HARPER: *Showing how smart he is.*  
POWELL: *Acting fool.*  
SEWARD: *Getting "fresh."*  
CRANDOL: *Distributing "hot air."*  
NORVILLE: *Telling of what he has done in the past.*  
CRUMP: *Loafing.*  
CAPTAIN PRIOR: *Taking cooking lessons.*  
HUDSON: *"Raising a rough house."*

# BASE BALL







BASEBALL SQUAD



## Baseball Squad

D. Q. EGGLESTON .....	Manager
N. L. BEVILLE .....	Coach
H. I. GOODE .....	Captain
BALLARD, G. ....	Catcher
COLE .....	Catcher
WILLIAMS .....	Catcher
BRUCE .....	Pitcher
GOODE, M. ....	Pitcher
JONES .....	Pitcher
GOODE, I. ....	First Base
WATKINS .....	Second Base
SLAGLE .....	Third Base
MAYNARD .....	Short Stop
SPANGLER .....	Left Field
BUCKNER .....	Left Field
YOUNG .....	Center Field
BALLARD, J. ....	Center Field
COGBILL .....	Right Field



## Baseball



*Captain Goode*

THE SEASON opened with four old men back on the diamond for the Academy. The prospects are brighter than ever before for a winning team and I think that, with a few weeks more of coaching, the Academy is going to have one of the best teams during the existence of the school. The Cadets opened their 1916 season by taking a fall out of Kenbridge by the score of 13 to 0, on the home diamond. The game was easy for the Cadets, having things their own way for the full nine innings. Ballard's hitting featured, he getting three hits for eight bases. Goode had at all times Kenbridge at his mercy. Score by innings:

											R.	H.	E.
B. M. A.	.....	4	2	0	3	0	1	2	1	x	13	12	3
K. H. S.	.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6

On April 1st we played Victoria. Their team was made up of old college men and the best material they could find. The batting of Bruce and pitching of Mr. Moore featured. It was an easy victory for the Academy. Score:



*A Few Rooters*

											R.	H.	E.
B. M. A.	.....	1	2	1	1	0	2	4	1	x	12	10	5
Victoria	.....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3





Appomattox came to Blackstone confident of winning after beating Lynchburg High School. They were surprised and overwhelmingly defeated. The game was called in the seventh inning, due to the inability of the score book to hold the runs and the exhaustion of the Cadets. The feature of the game was the hitting of Slagle, Goode, M., and Spangler. Spangler going to bat twice in one inning with as many home runs to his credit. Score:

to his credit. Score:											R.	H.	E.
B. M. A.....	3	5	18	5	2	3	7	x	x	43	28	2	
A. H. S. ....	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	x	x	3	7	7	

The next game of the season was with Richmond Academy. It was the best game of the season. The features of the game were the batting and pitching of Bruce, who fanned out sixteen men and made four trips to the plate with as many hits to his credit. Moses and Turner played a star game for the victors. Score:

											R.	H.	E.
B. M. A.....	4	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	x	9	10	3	
R. A. ....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	5	7	4	

Our next game was with Chase City High School. It was an easy victory for the Academy. Score:

ny. Score:											R.	H.	E.
B. M. A. ....	1	4	1	4	0	0	1	1	x	12	8	5	
C. C. H. S.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	5	8	

On Saturday, April 15th, the Cadets met the second team from Hampden-Sidney on their home ground. The game was a listless contest until the last half of the ninth inning, when the team from the Academy set out to overcome a three run lead obtained by the collegians early in the game. Coach Beville went in to bat for Mr. Moore and led off with a triple to left and scored on an infield ground ball. Another run was scored on two errors by Hampden-Sidney's infield and then Mr. Eggleston got a hit over third with second and third occupied. Both men scored and won the game by the score of 6 to 5.

Batteries for H.-S.: Morton, L., Barksdale and Rawlings; B. M. A.: Moore and Cole.



"Runt"





The final game before the Annual goes to press was with William and Mary Academy at Williamsburg. The game was called in the fifth inning on account of rain. An error by Goode, I., and a triple by Ellis after two men were down gave William and Mary their only run. It was a pitchers' duel between Goode, M., and Ellis, only two hits were allowed by both pitchers and each struck out five men. The Academy's only chance of securing a run was in the first inning. Slagle got on first by an error and stole to second, Bruce followed him to bat and got a clean hit to center field. Slagle was caught at home. Score:

						R.	H.	E.
B. M. A. ....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
W. & M. ....	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1

H. I. GOODE.



N. L. BEVILLE, *Coach*



## Our Alphabet

**A** Stands for Attention.  
What a sweet word to hear  
When you're feeling tired and sleepy,  
It's like music to the ear.

**B** Stands for Battalion.  
And such a battalion have we,  
That one which is its equal,  
You never will see.

**C** Stands for Corporal.  
That's what I used to be;  
But I got reduced to ranks,  
For a bit of mutiny.

**D** Stands for Demerits,  
Which the Major gives with ease.  
It's the easiest job he has, boys,  
So get down on your knees.

**E** Stands for Ease  
Which mislead the valiant "Sneeze,"  
Who yelled loudly for a letter,  
But was told to shut up, please.

**F** Stands for Fowlkes,  
Our Captain bold,  
What he doesn't know 'bout military,  
'Twould take a book to hold.

**G** Stands for Guard-duty,  
Which we "Cliquesters" have to walk.  
With a cannon on our shoulder,  
We cannot even talk.



**H** Stands for Home, sweet Home,  
But that's far, far away,  
And none of us will see it  
For many a weary day.

**I** Stands for Inge,  
Who, as an officer, was filled with bliss;  
But he was soon reduced to ranks  
For general worthlessness.

**J** Stands for Journey,  
Which to Farmville we shall take.  
We will all be footsore and weary,  
But what difference does that make.

**K** Stands for Kick,  
Which in drill we love to do,  
When the Major isn't looking,  
Someone's sure to feel our shoe.

**L** Stands for Lieutenant,  
Who has a saber keen;  
That he is glad he is a Lieutenant,  
Is plainly to be seen.

**M** Stands for Major,  
Who wears a maple leaf;  
The man he catches loafing at drill,  
Is sure to come to grief.

**N** Stands for Nufer,  
Our popular little cadet;  
How he drills with a rifle,  
We've never discovered yet.

**O** Stands for "Oh, my foot,  
Take that gun off my toe, I say.  
And when you come to 'Order Arms,'  
Please drop your piece some other way."

**P** Stands for Prunes,  
It stands for Pimento, too,  
These in conjunction with military drill,  
Will make a four-square man of you.



**Q** Stands for Questions  
Which the faculty ask with care;  
If you don't believe what I am saying,  
Just cut somebody's hair.

**R** Stands for Revielle,  
Which wakes us every day;  
But what we call those buglers,  
I shall never try to say.

**S** Stands for Spangler,  
It stands for a certain young lady as well;  
And Spangler is often to be found  
Where this young lady dwell.

**T** Stands for Taps,  
When all the lights go out.  
But when that waste basket comes down the hall,  
You can hear those privates shout.

**U** Stands for: You are in the army now,  
You are in the army now.  
You'll never got out, you darned old scout,  
For you are in the army now.

**V** Stands for Victuals,  
The things we get to eat,  
Salmon, prunes, apples and cheese  
Are very hard to beat.

**W** Stands for Williams,  
Who's a pretty good old chap.  
He's the monkey-man of his company,  
But he doesn't care a rap.

**XYZ** Stands for You,  
Whom these lines may chance to see.  
Please read them with a kindly eye,  
And criticize not me.

—P. W. C.





*Mess  
Formation*



*Just from  
Practice*

*The  
Old Mill*





# CLVBS



ALPHA SIGMA DELTA  
SIGMA DELTA  
BARBER'S CLUB  
CAMPUS CLUB  
CLEANSLEEVE CLUB  
CLIQUE CLUB  
FARMERS' CLUB  
OFFICERS' CLUB  
SMOKERS' CLUB  
TENNIS CLUB  
MINUTE MEN'S CLUB



JOHN E. BELL  
BERNARD M. BELL  
GRAHAM BRUCE  
JOHN COGBILL  
HOWARD MAYNARD  
FRANK RUSSELL  
SAMUEL G. SLAUGHTER  
CUNNINGHAM WATKINS  
HERBERT WILLIAMS



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HOLMES IRVING GOODE

JOHN TANNER ORTH





## Barbers' Club

Slogan: Cut it short

Color: Raven Black

R. C. WATKINS .....	Chief Barber
P. W. CROCKETT .....	Chief Massager
H. J. DOBBINS .....	Shine
J. E. BELL .....	Janitor

### MEMBERS

CROCKETT  
DOBBINS

MAYNARD  
RUSSELL

SPANGLER  
SLAUGHTER

WATKINS  
WILLIAMS



## Campus Club

*Favorite Question: When do I get off campus?*

*Color: Brick Red*

HOWARD MAYNARD .....	<i>President</i>
J. E. BELL .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
J. T. ORTH .....	<i>Secretary</i>
R. C. WATKINS .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BALLARD, G.  
BALLARD, J.  
BELL, J.  
CROCKETT

WILLIAMS

DOBBINS  
MAYNARD  
ORTH  
WATKINS



## Cleansleeve Club

*Favorite Pastime: Knocking Officers*

*Color: Gold*

J. E. BELL .....	<i>President</i>
H. J. DOBBINS .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
HOWARD MAYNARD .....	<i>Secretary</i>
H. T. WILLIAMS .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BALLARD, G.  
BALLARD, J.  
BECKETT  
BELL, J.  
BLANTON  
CLAUGHTON  
CLAY  
COLE  
CRANDOL  
CROCKETT  
DAVIS

DOBBINS  
FOUNTAIN  
GARRETT  
JOHNSON  
HAMNER  
HARPER  
MARTIN  
MAYNARD  
MANSON  
MOON  
MCNEIL  
NUFER

POWELL  
POLLARD  
REAGER  
RUSSELL  
RUSSO  
SEWARD  
SLAGLE  
TUCKER  
WATKINS  
WILLIAMS  
YOUNG





## Clique Club

*Favorite Saying: I didn't do it*  
*Color: Red*

J. E. BELL .....	<i>President</i>
HOWARD MAYNARD .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
H. T. WILLIAMS .....	<i>Secretary</i>
R. C. WATKINS .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BELL, J.  
 BRUCE  
 CROCKETT  
 CRUMP  
 DOBBINS

MAYNARD  
 RUSSELL  
 SLAUGHTER  
 SPANGLER  
 WILLIAMS

WATKINS





## Farmers' Club

*Motto: Make hay while the sun shines*

*Colors: Green and Yellow*

G. G. BALLARD .....	<i>President</i>
MAURY GOODE .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
R. W. McKENNEY .....	<i>Secretary</i>
J. L. FOUNTAIN .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BALLARD, G.  
BELL, B.  
BOYD  
BRUCE  
BUCKNER  
COLE  
DAVIS  
FOUNTAIN  
FINNEY  
GOOD  
GOODE, M.  
GARRETT

HUDSON  
HAYMAKER  
HARPER  
JONES  
JOHNSON  
McNEIL  
McKENNEY  
MANSON  
MOON  
POWELL  
SLAGLE  
TUCKER



## Officers' Club

*Motto: Keep on the good side of the Major*

*Color: Cadet Grey*

J. T. ORTH .....	<i>President</i>
H. D. SPANGLER .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
S. G. SLAUGHTER .....	<i>Secretary</i>
F. M. FOWLKES.....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BELL, B.  
BOYD  
CRUMP  
FINNEY  
FOWLKES  
GOODE, I.  
GOODE, M.  
GOOD

HAYMAKER  
HUDSON  
McKENNEY  
NORVILLE  
ORTH  
SLAUGHTER  
SPANGLER  
STONE

WATKINS



## Smokers' Club

*Motto:* Not because we love our lives less, but because we love our pipes more

*Color:* Grey

G. G. BALLARD .....	<i>President</i>
J. T. ORTH .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
H. D. SPANGLER .....	<i>Secretary</i>
J. E. BELL .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

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 BRUCE  
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 FOUNTAIN  
 GOODE, I.

GOODE, M.  
 HUDSON  
 MANSON  
 MARTIN  
 MAYNARD  
 ORTH  
 RUSSO  
 REAGER  
 SLAGLE  
 SPANGLER  
 SLAUGHTER  
 SEWARD





## Tennis Club

*Favorite Request: Lend me your Raquet*  
*Color: White*

HOWARD MAYNARD .....	<i>President</i>
J. E. BELL .....	<i>Vice-President</i>
H. T. WILLIAMS .....	<i>Secretary</i>
R. C. WATKINS .....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

BALLARD, J.  
 BELL, B.  
 BRUCE  
 CROCKETT

MAYNARD  
 SEWARD  
 WATKINS  
 WILLIAMS





## Minute Men's Club

*Slogan: Look out, I'm coming*

*Colors: Sky Blue and Granite Grey*

J. E. BELL.....	<i>President</i>
R. C. WATKINS.....	<i>Vice-President</i>
P. W. CROCKETT .....	<i>Secretary</i>
G. G. FINNEY.....	<i>Treasurer</i>

### MEMBERS

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 BELL, J.  
 BUCKNER  
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 CROCKETT  
 FINNEY  
 JOHNSON  
 MAYNARD  
 SEWARD  
 WATKINS



## Jabber

While sitting in a room with a crowd of boys one Sunday night Mr. M. Goode very excitedly exclaimed that there were alligators in a certain hotel in one of the cities of Virginia. When asked how he knew he immediately threw his chest out and said he had been there and seen a man come out of a small door and call out "Going up."

Manson (on entering a room and seeing a picture of the Capitol Building with the West Point and Annapolis troops drawn up for review in front) exclaimed, "Gee, that is some school, I would like to go there."

John Cogbill: "Dobbins, I saw in the paper this morning that the court indicted that man you were talking about."

Dobbins: "I knew they would turn him loose."

Manson in Senior History told Mr. Beville that in the War of 1812 the United States proved to the world that she could fight as well on the Lakes as she could on the water.

While walking extra duty, Williams very excitedly called the corporal of the guard. On the corporal's arrival, Williams saluted and said, "Sir, I report eight Indians and five buffaloes in yonder foothills."

While on a basket-ball trip to Petersburg, Spangler ran up to a man driving a "Jitney" and said, "Mister, how much does it cost to go up town?"

Captain Beville (in Senior History): "Explain the Presidential election of 1812."

Bell, B., promptly answered: "Why, they did not elect but one President."

Colonel Ligon (in Geometry): "What is peculiar about this circle?"

Fowlkes: "Why, er-er-er it is round."

Captain Beville (in Senior History): "Mr. Maynard, who wrote Thanatopsis."

Maynard: "Thomas Jefferson."

Mr. Beville (in Junior History): "Mr. Russell, were any submarines used in the Civil War?"

Mr. Russell: "Yes, sir, two; the Merrimack and Monitor."

Fowlkes (in Geometry Class): "Mr. Ligon, will you bisect an angle into three parts for me."

Dobbins, in explaining to a young lady that most of the boys went out for football, stated, "Yes; the greatest majority of the boys go out."



## Appreciation

**B**EFORE sending the results of our labor to the press we feel that we must attempt in some way, feeble though it is, to express in words our appreciation for the work done on this volume by those who are not on our Staff of Editors. Everywhere we have turned we have found a spirit of heartiest co-operation with us in our effort to produce an annual which will be a credit to our school and whatever degree of success we may have attained is due in no small measure to this hearty co-operative spirit.

To our President, Mr. E. S. Ligon, we are indebted for invaluable advice in a business way, besides his sympathy with us in our undertaking and willingness to help us in whatever way we have called upon him. In the name of the boys whose mouthpiece this volume is, we thank you who have made the publication of this volume of the *VIDETTE* possible.

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The boys have been unusually willing to help us this year and all have gladly placed their shoulders to the wheel and responded nobly to every call for assistance from the staff. We thank you for your co-operation and sympathy with us in our efforts and hope we have not created a work of which you will not be proud.

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